VAN BUREN COUNTY, MICHIGAN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

November 4, 2005

To the Gobles/Pine Grove Fire Control Board Van Buren County, Michigan

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Gobles/Pine Grove Fire Control Board, Van Buren County, Michigan as of and for the year ended March 31, 2005, which collectively comprise the Fire Board's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Gobles/Pine Grove Fire Control Board, Van Buren County, Michigan management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinions.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Gobles/Pine Grove Fire Control Board as of March 31, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 2 and 17 through 18 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Respectfully,

Scott E. Campbell, P.C.

Certified Public Accountant

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

This report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the Fire Control Board as a whole and present a long-term view of the Fire Control Board's finances. Fund financial statements tell how these services were financed in the short-term, as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the Fire Control Board's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements.

The Fire Control Board as a Whole

The Gobles/Pine Grove Fire Control Board's financial position has remained strong over the past year. The full accrual net assets has decreased approximently \$1,600 from the prior year. The fire service charges and community contracts continue to support the operational expenses of maintaining the fire services as well as acquiring normal minor equipment replacements.

Current & Future Projects

We started a Cadett Fireman program to insure we have adequate numbers of volunteer firemen.

There are no immediate plans to purchase any new major equipment or vehicles.

The boards ISO rating of seven (7) is still in effect, and represents a good rating for a rural fire fighting service. The firefighters are continuously being trained on the latest fire fighting techniques.

Contacting the Fire Control Board Management

This financial report is intended to provide our community citizens, taxpayers, customers and investors with a general overview of the Gobles/Pine Grove Fire Control Board's finances and to show the Fire Board's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, we welcome you to contact the Fire Control Board's Secretary/Treasurer.

GOBLES/PINE GROVE FIRE CONTROL BOARD GOVERNMENT WIDE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS MARCH 31, 2005

	Primary	Government		
	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Total		
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$ 355,208 -	\$ 355,208		
Receivables-net Prepaids Capital assets-net	23,514 11,346	23,514 11,346		
Capital assets-fiet	625,818	625,818		
Total Assets	1,015,886_	1,015,886		
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable Due to other funds Noncurrent Liabilities	- 19,097	- 19,097		
Due within one year Due in more than one year	<u> </u>	-		
Total Liabilities	19,097	19,097		
NET ASSETS				
Invested in Capital Assets Net of related debt Restricted For	625,818	625,818		
Capital Projects Unrestricted	108,299 262,672	108,299 262,672		
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 996,789</u>	\$ 996,789		

GOBLES/PINE GROVE FIRE CONTROL BOARD GOVERNMENT WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

		Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Re	evenue and Chand	aes in Net Assets	
			Operating			Primary Government	
Functions/Programs Primary Government	Expenses	Charges for Services	Grants and Contributions	Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Public safety	\$ 135,621	\$ -	\$ 127,575	\$ -	\$ (8,046)	\$ -	\$ 8,046
Total Governmental Activities	135,621		127,575		(8,046)		8,046
Total Primary Government	\$ 135,621	\$ -	\$ 127,575	\$ -	\$ (8,046)		\$ 8,046
	General Reve Miscellaneou				6,405	-	6,405
	Transfers					_	
	Total General Revenues-Special Items and Transfers			ransfers	6,405		6,405
	Change in Ne Net Assets-Be				<u>(1,641)</u> 998,430		(6,405)
	Net Assets-Er	nding			\$ 996,789	\$	\$ 996,789

GOBLES/PINE GROVE FIRE CONTROL BOARD GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET MARCH 31, 2005

	General <u>Fund</u>	Capital Projects Fund	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Receivables-net Due from other funds Prepaids	\$ 302,81 - 4,41 19,09 11,34	7 - 7 -	\$ 355,208 - 4,417 19,097 11,346
Total Assets	337,67	2 52,396	390,068
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable Due to other funds	-	19,097	- 19,097
Total Liabilities		19,097_	19,097
FUND BALANCES			
Reserved for Capital Projects Unreserved	75,000 262,672	2	108,299 262,672
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$ 337,672</u>	2 \$ 33,299	370,971
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the different because: Capital assets used in governmental activities are			
are not reported in the funds.			625,818
Net Assets of Governmental Activities			\$ 996,789

GOBLES/PINE GROVE FIRE CONTROL BOARD GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

Revenues	General <u>Fund</u>		
Contracts & contributions Charges for services	\$ 127,575 -	\$ - -	\$ 127,575 -
Interest Other revenue	3,122 1,689	1,594 	4,716 1,689
Total Revenues	132,386	1,594	133,980
Expenditures Current			
Public safety Capital outlay	84,304 23,161	-	84,304 23,161
Total Expenditures	107,465		107,465
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	24,921	1,594	26,515
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers in Transfers (out)	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Excess of Revenue and Other Sources Over (Under)			
Expenditures and Other Uses Fund Balance-April 1, 2004	24,921 <u>312,751</u>	1,594 31,705	26,515 <u>344,456</u>
Fund Balance-March 31, 2005	\$ 337,672	\$ 33,299	\$ 370,971

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Gobles/Pine Grove Fire Control Board was created pursuant to the provisions of Section 6, Act 33, Public Acts of Michigan, 1951, as amended, for the purpose of providing fire protection and related services for the City of Gobles and the Township of Pine Grove.

The accounting policies of the Gobles/Pine Grove Fire Control Board conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

A. The Reporting Entity

In accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, "The Financial Reporting Entity", these financial statements present the Fire Control Board Activity. The criteria established by the GASB for determining the reporting entity includes oversight responsibility, fiscal dependency, and whether the financial statements would be misleading if data were not included.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e. the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. Likewise, the primary government is reported separately from certain legally separate component units for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment; and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenue.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation
The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources
measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund
and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenue is recorded when earned and
expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related
cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are
levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility
requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recognized as soon as it is both measurable and available. Revenue is considered to be available if it is collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, expenditures relating to compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, state-shared revenue, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenue of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be available only when cash is received by the government.

The government reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The Capital Projects Fund is a Special Revenue Fund of the Fire Board. The Capital Project Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Additionally, the government reports no non-major fund types.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. <u>Measurement Focus</u>, <u>Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation</u> (continued)

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule would be charges between the government's enterprise funds and various other functions of the government. Eliminations of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned. The Fire Control Board does not have enterprise funds.

Amounts reported as program revenue include: (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services or privileges provided; (2) operating grants and contributions; and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenue rather than as program revenue. Likewise, general revenue includes all taxes.

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity

Bank Deposits and Investments-Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with a maturity of three months or less when acquired. Investments are stated at fair value.

Receivables and Payables-In general, outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." Activity between funds that is representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is referred to as "advances to/from other funds." Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and the business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

All trade receivables are shown as net of allowance for uncollectible amounts.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity (Continued)

Inventories and Prepaid Items-Inventories are valued at cost, on a first-in, first-out basis. Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased. Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future fiscal years and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

Capital Assets-Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items) are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$500 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

Property, plant and equipment is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Buildings	30 to 40 years
Building Improvements	15 to 30 years
Roads	10 to 30 years
Fire Equipment & Fire Trucks	07 to 25 years
Vehicles	03 to 05 years
Office Equipment	05 to 07 years
Computer Equipment	03 to 07 years

Compensated Absences (Vacation and Sick Leave)-It is the government's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused sick and vacation pay benefits. Compensated absences and unpaid vacations were considered but not accrued due to immateriality in amount.

<u>Fund Equity</u>-In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

NOTE 2 - RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Government-wide financial statements differ from the Governmental fund financial statements only for the effect of the inclusion of capital assets.

Capitalized Asset Costs Less Accumulated Depreciation	\$ 994,055 (368,257)
Capital Assets, net	625,818
Governmental Fund Balances	370,971
Net Assets of Governmental Activities	\$ 996.789

NOTE 3 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

<u>Budgetary Information</u>-The Fire Control Board follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- 1. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year. These budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.
- 2. The Board approves, by ordinance, total budget appropriations only. Any revisions that alter the total appropriations of any fund must be approved by the Board, therefore, the level of budgetary responsibility is by total appropriations however, for report purposes, this level has been expanded to a functional basis (Public Safety).
- 3. Unused appropriations for all of the above annually budgeted funds lapse at the end of the year.
- 4. The budget amounts shown in the financial statements are the final authorized amounts as revised during the year.

<u>Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations in Budgeted Funds</u> - During the year the Local Government Unit did not exceed the budget.

<u>Fund Deficits</u>-The Local Governmental Unit has no accumulated fund balance deficits at this time.

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Michigan Compiled Laws, Section 129.91, authorizes the local governmental unit to make deposits and invest in the accounts of federally insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations which have an office in Michigan. The local unit is allowed to invest in bonds, securities and other direct obligations of the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States; United States government of federal agency obligations; repurchase agreements; bankers' acceptance of United States banks; commercial paper rated within the two highest classifications which mature not more than 270 days after the date of purchase; obligations of the State of Michigan or its political subdivisions which are rated as investment grade; and mutual funds composed of investment vehicles which are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan.

The Local Governmental Unit Board has designated several banks for the deposit of Local Unit funds. The investment policy adopted by the board in accordance with Public Act 196 of 1997 has authorized investment in bonds and securities of the United States government and bank accounts and CDs, but not the remainder of State statutory authority as listed above.

The Local Governmental Unit's deposits and investment policy are in accordance with statutory authority.

At year-end, the Local Unit's deposits and investments were reported in the basic financial statements in the following categories:

	Governmental Activities	Total Primary Government	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$ 355,208</u>	\$ 355,208	

The breakdown between deposits and investments is as follows:

	Primary <u>Government</u>
Bank Deposits (checking and savings accounts, certificates of deposit) Investments in Securities, Mutual Funds and	\$ 355,208
Similar Vehicles Petty Cash and Cash on Hand	<u>-</u>
Total	\$ 355,208

The bank balance of the primary government's deposits is \$355,208 of which \$196,291 is covered by federal depository insurance.

NOTE 5 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables as of year-end for the government's individual major, nonmajor funds and fiduciary funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are reported in the Government Wide Statement of Net Assets as follows:

	<u>Major Funds</u>					
	General Special Projects					
	Fund		Funds			Total
Services receivable	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Contributions receivable		4,417		-		4,417
Due from other funds		19,097		-		19,097
Less: Allowance for uncollectibles		(-)		-		(-)
Receivables-Net	<u>\$</u>	23,514	\$	-	\$	23,514

NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity of the primary government for the current year was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	_Increases	Decreases	Ending <u>Balance</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated Land Construction in progress	\$ 6,000	\$ - -	\$ - 	\$ 6,000
Subtotal	6,000		_	6,000
Capital Assets Being Depreciated Buildings Improvements other than buildings Machinery and equipment Infrastructure	250,000 8,000 706,894	- - 23,161 	- - - -	250,000 8,000 730,055
Subtotal	964,894	23,161	-	988,055
Less Accumulated Depreciation for Buildings Improvements other than buildings Machinery and equipment Infrastructure	137,500 108 179,312	6,250 200 44,867 -	-	143,750 308 224,179
Subtotal	316,920	51,317	-	368,237
Net Capital Assets Being Depreciated	647,974	(28,156)	•	619,818
Governmental Activities Capital Total Capital Assets-Net of Depreciation	\$ 653,974	<u>\$ (28,156)</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 625,818</u>

The Gobles/Pine Grove Fire Control Board was formed in by the interlocal agreement between the City of Gobles and the Township of Pine Grove. There remain a number of fully depreciated assets with unknown salvage values. The most recent and major assets are recorded and depreciated.

Depreciation expense was charged to programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental Activities

Public safety	\$	51,317
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$</u>	51,317

NOTE 7 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLE AND TRANSFERS

The composition of interfund balances is as follows:

Due To/From Other Funds Receivable Fund			Payab	le Fund		<u>Am</u>	ount
General			Capita	l Projects		<u>\$ 19</u>	,097
Interfund Transfers		apital		Transfers (Out n-Major)		-2012
Transfers In	Projects Fund		Goverr F		Total		
General Fund Non-Major Governmental Funds	\$	- -	\$	<u>-</u>		\$	-
Total	\$	-	\$	-		<u>\$</u>	

NOTE 8 - LOCAL UNIT CONTRIBUTIONS & CONTRACT REVENUES

The annual approved budget for operations and capital equipment reserves is supported by contributions from the member units of the Fire Board in proportion to their respective share - determined by a formula that incorporates population, risk, percentage of fire runs in a unit's area, etc.

The Fire Board also has service contracts with Waverly and Almena Townships, who are not member units, to provide fire protection in a portion of their areas. The annual contracts charge amounts that approximate \$3,000 and \$19,000 respectively.

NOTE 9 - EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS - BUDGETARY FUNDS

P.A. 621 of 1978, section 18 (1), as amended, provides that Local Government Units shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated.

In the body of the financial statements, the Fire Board actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures for the budgetary funds have been shown on a line functional basis. The approved budgets of the Fire Board for these budgetary funds were adopted to the line item level.

During the year ended March 31, 2005, the Fire Board did not incurr expenditures in budgetary funds which were in excess of the amounts appropriated.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

GOBLES/PINE GROVE FIRE CONTROL BOARD BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

	Original <u>Budget</u>		Amended <u>Budget</u>		Actual		Variance with Amended Budget	
Beginning of Year Fund Balance Resources (Inflows)	\$	312,751	\$	312,751	\$	312,751	\$	-
Contracts & contributions		121,600		121,600		127,575		5,975
Charges for services		-		-		-		-
Interest		-		-		3,122		3,122
Miscellaneous revenues		-		-		1,689		1,689
Transfers from other funds		-		-				
Amounts Available for Appropriation		434,351		434,351		445,137		10,786
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows)								
Public Safety		83,000		87,450		84,304		3,146
Capital outlay		25,000		24,500		23,161		1,339
Transfers to other funds		<u> </u>		-				-
Total Charges to Appropriations		108,000		111,950		107,465		4,485
Budgetary Fund Balance-March 31	\$	326,351	\$	322,401	<u>\$</u>	337,672	_\$_	15,271

GOBLES/PINE GROVE FIRE CONTROL BOARD BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

	Original <u>Budget</u>	Amended <u>Budget</u>	Actual	Variance With Amended Budget	
Beginning of Year Fund Balance Resources (Inflows) Contributions	\$ 31,705	\$ 31,705	\$ 31,705	\$ -	
Interest income Transfers from other funds		- - -	1,594 	1,594 	
Amounts Available for Appropriation	31,705	31,705	33,299	1,594	
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows) Public safety					
Transfers to other funds Fire	-	-		<u>-</u>	
Total Charges to Appropriations			-		
Budgetary Fund Balance-March 31	\$ 31,705	\$ 31,705	\$ 33,299	<u>\$ 1,594</u>	

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November 4, 2005

In planning and performing my audit of the Basic Financial Statements of the Gobles/Pine Grove Fire Control Board, for the year ended March 31, 2005, I considered the Fire Control Board's internal control structure to determine audit procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements, and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

However, during my audit I became aware of several matters that are an opportunity to strengthen internal control and increase operating efficiency. I offer the following items for your consideration.

Revenue Recognition

For accounting purposes, the revenues for the Fire Control Board, in the form of taxes or local unit contributions, should be recognized as current year revenue in the fiscal year they are levied or approved. For budgeting purposes, these revenues do not necessarily need to be expended in this same year, but in whatever year the Board approves these disbursements.

Uninsured Deposits

Currently, the Gobles/Pine Grove Fire Control Board has a total of \$158,917 in savings deposits over the federally insured savings level of \$100,000 at National City Bank as of March 31, 2005. We recommend that no more than a total of \$200,000 is maintained in any one bank, \$100,000 in checking and \$100,000 in savings accounts to avoid the risk of uninsured losses that may occur.

Inter Fund Due To/From

The \$19,097 due to/from has remained on the books for several years. The Board should decide to either pay back the General Fund or declare this amount as a permanent contribution to the Capital Project Fund. Board action is necessary for either option.

<u>General</u>

In general the internal control systems of the Fire Control Board are good and functioning properly. The comments noted above will help the Fire Control Board strengthen the existing controls and will help provide greater accountability to residents of the local area that they serve.

I greatly appreciate the help and cooperation given to me by all Fire Control Board employees and officials.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott E. Campbell, P.C.

Certified Public Accountant